The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

Enough is enough! We pay more than a fair share of taxes on our home phone bill and now you want to reach out and touch us on our pre-paid cell phone! I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. If businesses want to be BIG, then let them pay their own way. Consumers get enough thrown in their laps when businesses opt to pass their cost of doing business onto us. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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